

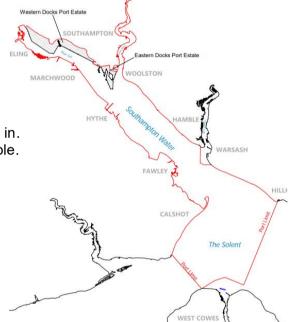
## NOTICE TO MARINERS No 52 of 2024

## Port of Southampton – Commercial Craft

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Port Marine Safety Code (PMSC) requires Harbour Authorities to ensure that commercial craft operating from and within the harbour are fit for purpose – i.e., properly maintained, equipped, and manned, and used only for purposes which they are capable.

All commercial vessel operators (undertaking paid work, training or carrying fare paying customers) with small craft, boats or vessels working within Southampton the Statutory Harbour Area (SHA) are therefore required to register their craft with the Port of Southampton on an annual basis providing the following information:

- (a) Name and address of owner/operator.
- (b) Vessel details
  - Name.
  - Length.
  - Number of crew.
  - Area of operation.
  - Type of commercial activity engaged in.
  - Details of any certification, if applicable.



Please note that if your vessel is home ported outside of the Southampton SHA (as shown above) but operates within it, this LNtM must be complied with.

This information should be provided at: <u>https://forms.office.com/e/sm3gHyBGRw</u> or follow the QR code below.



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The Port of Southampton may, where deemed appropriate, conduct inspections of such vessels, such inspections being based on national standards, laws and agreed codes of practice, manufacturer's handbooks, and other similar information.

The results of the inspections, and any limitations on the vessel's use, will be recorded and discussed with the vessel's owner and operator.

Ship Assist Tugs authorised for use within the Port of Southampton and listed within LNtM 02 are exempt from the requirements of this LNtM.

Please note that all vessels operating commercially within the Port of Southampton will be required to have an operational AIS transponder fitted to their vessels by 1<sup>st</sup> January 2025.

Further information on this can be obtained by contacting the Port of Southampton at <u>HMsouthampton@abports.co.uk</u>.

Vessel Traffic Services Centre Ocean Dock, Atlantic Way Southampton Steven Masters Harbour Master

17<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Owners, Agents, Charterers, Marinas, Yacht Clubs and Recreational Sailing Organisations should ensure that the contents of this Notice are made known to the masters or persons in charge of their vessels or craft.